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In re Application of:

West et al.

Application No.: 09/653,406

Filed: September 1, 2000

For: Nitric Oxide-Producing Hydrogel
Materials

Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: Di Nola Baron, L.

Docket No: 47400-0100
(47400/252658)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents for a one-month extension of time, through and including April 24, 2003, to respond to the Office Action mailed on December 24, 2002. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00, the fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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